



INFORMATIONAL
SUPPLEMENT FOR
DCLU CUSTOMERS

sustainable building incentives **residential**

: Assistance Abounds for Citizens, Community Groups and Builders

- Whether you are a builder planning a new residential project, a community group
- interested in improving your neighborhood's public spaces, or a homeowner upgrad-
- ing your home and yard, you can make an investment in Seattle's future by taking advantage of financial incentives and technical assistance programs available from the City.



Free trees are made available to Seattle neighborhood groups through the Department of Neighborhoods' Tree Fund, one of the City's many sustainable building incentive programs.

The programs are designed to meet Seattle's long-term conservation goals, strengthen neighborhoods and communities, improve quality of life, and provide long-term cost savings to taxpayers—thereby supporting the City's sustainability goals.

You'll find examples of the types of programs available to help you lessen the environmental impact of your choices on page 2. For more detailed information about individual programs, visit the City department or website listed. To learn more about DCLU's involvement in sustainability goals, visit www.cityofseattle.net/dclu/sustainability, or contact:

Lynne Barker, lynne.barker@seattle.gov, (206) 684-0806

: Help for Building a Green Home

- "BuiltGreen," a residential green building program, offers a checklist of design and building strategies to help you create a quality home that is comfortable, durable, healthy, and environmentally friendly, while also saving you money over time.

- The City of Seattle supported the development of BuiltGreen, which was created by the Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties in partnership with King County, Snohomish County, and FANNIE MAE.

- You can learn more about BuiltGreen by contacting the Master Builders Association BuiltGreen program manager at (425) 451-7920, by email at builtgreen@mba-ks.com, or online at www.builtgreen.net. For a more complete listing of resource conservation incentives and assistance, visit the Seattle Sustainable Building website at www.cityofseattle.net/sustainablebuilding/incentives/residential.htm.

"The City of Seattle embraces the concept of sustainability. We are committed to trying to meet our current needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs."

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Construction & Remodeling

BUILT GREEN™ Incentive

Available for new multifamily construction or major renovation projects of 5 units or more. Financial assistance to help incorporate sustainable building goals early in the pre-design process, when they are most cost-effective. Technical assistance and resources will improve environmental and economic performance.

Seattle City Light & Seattle Public Utilities

Contact Peter Dobrovolny, (206) 615-1094,
peter.dobrovolny@seattle.gov

Water Conservation

Rebates and resources to help you reduce potable water use for landscape irrigation, toilet flushing, and clothes washing.

Seattle Public Utilities Conservation Programs

www.cityofseattle.net/util/RESCONS

Site & Landscape

Resources that help you design and maintain a healthy, water efficient, and salmon-friendly yard and garden, using nature as the model.

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Urban Forest & Habitat

Financial assistance and resources for neighborhood-based projects that increase our forest canopy and restore urban forests and habitat.

Department of Neighborhoods Tree Fund

www.cityofseattle.net/don/trees/Trees.htm
www.cityofseattle.net/don/basic.htm

Energy Conservation

Energy conservation programs ranging from buying tips and rebates to design guidelines and financial assistance. Homeowners can conduct a Home Resource Profile online that reports home utility use with savings recommendations. Builders and architects working on multifamily projects can receive design guidance and incentives to "conserve by design."

Seattle City Light Residential Conservation Programs

www.cityofseattle.net/light/conserve/resident
www.cityofseattle.net/conserve/homeprofile

Built Smart

www.cityofseattle.net/light/conserve/resident/cv5_bs.htm

Home Repair & Weatherization

Low interest loans are available to low- and moderate-income homeowners for making health and safety repairs. Grants are available to improve home energy performance and save energy and money.

HomeWise

www.cityofseattle.net/housing/HomeWise.htm

Community

Grants that fund a variety of community projects, ranging from protecting clean water to neighborhood planning. Each grant program has a specific focus. For example, Seattle Public Utilities and the Department of Neighborhoods teamed up to create Grant Central Station, an environmental grant program that assists communities with reducing waste, protecting clean water, removing litter and graffiti, improving public spaces, or involving youth in environmental issues.

Grant Central Station

www.cityofseattle.net/util/ept/grantcentralstation

Neighborhood Matching Fund Program

www.cityofseattle.net/don/basic.htm

Neighborhood Power Project

www.cityofseattle.net/light/conserve/neighborhood/power

Transportation

Community grants are available to fund projects that reduce car trips in your neighborhood by encouraging alternative modes of travel. The City is working with selected banks to increase your home buying potential, making urban living more affordable.

Car Smart Communities

www.cityofseattle.net/carsmart/grants.htm

Location Efficient Mortgages

www.cityofseattle.net/housing/LEM